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Megan's Law Internet Web Site - Public Reporting of Registered Sex Offender Information

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TO: ALL CALIFORNIA LAW ENFORCEMENT AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE AGENCIES

The Department of Justice (DOJ) is adding a new feature to the Megan's Law Internet Web Site. This feature will allow the public to report information about registered sex offenders directly to DOJ which will then be forwarded to the appropriate local law enforcement agency. This feature will help improve the accuracy of the data that is currently displayed on the Web Site and help locate sex offenders who are in violation of their registration requirements.

A red telephone icon (see circle below) will be prominently displayed throughout the Megan's Law Internet Web Site. When a user clicks on the telephone icon they will be instructed to open a registered sex offender's profile and click on the "Report Information to DOJ" button.







Megan's Law Internet Web Site users will only be able to access this feature when they are viewing an Offender Profile (see circle below).



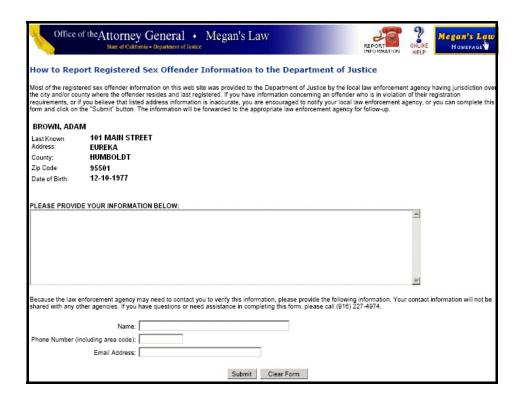
THE REGISTRANT MAY HAVE SUBSEQUENTLY RELOCATED

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Once a user clicks on the reporting link, a form will be displayed on their screen (see below). To reduce the possibility of errors, the form will include information on the registered sex offender, based on the Offender Profile that was being viewed.



When the Megan's Law Internet Web Site user completes the form, they will click on the "submit" button and their information will be sent to DOJ for review. It is anticipated that the majority of the information that is submitted will deal with the locations of sex offenders who are in violation and with address corrections.

This Information Bulletin is being sent to notify your agency that, when appropriate, information received by DOJ as a result of this new feature will be forwarded to the appropriate registering law enforcement agency(ies) for handling.

This new public reporting feature is scheduled for implementation on April 4, 2005.

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If you have specific questions concerning this Information Bulletin or the Megan's Law Internet Web Site, please contact any of the following:

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